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AND NOW THE TOP NEWS

STORY OF THE HOUR...

It had happened. It was history, all over but the shouting. There was plenty of backslapping as everyone left. Everyone, that is, except the reporter . . . he stood feverishly in the telephone booth to one side, shoving coins in the three little slots. One hand grasped his notebook while the other fumbled with numerous quarters and dimes, the telephone receiver locked in a vice-like grip between his raised shoulder and side of his head. He spoke rapidly, almost like a monotone machine gun, but the stenographer on the other end could detect a hint of excitement in his professional staccato delivery. She knew that it would upset him if he were to realize that his inbred coolness concerning news stories had broken on this one. But she remained silent while her pencil scratched out the hieroglyphics of her trade.

He hung up, still tense from insuring every detail made it into his story, limp but satisfied he had done his best. It had been "one heck of a day," in his editor's words.

The stenographer dropped the receiver back into its cradle, her hand all ready reaching for a clean sheet of paper to roll into the typewriter. In

moments, sharp explosions of keys striking the blue paper rang throughout the room. She worked carefully not to omit any words.

The story, now transformed from eyes and words into uniform letters on blue paper half-way across the country, continued its journey . . . but now by man's oldest means of movement; clutched in the hand of a courier as he rapidly walked through the building toward a door marked "News Editing." The story soon became many, as though on the butcher's block; the editor's red ink changing sentences and words with little or no discrimination. Mere moments lapsed before the courier was again scurrying on his way.

A changing of the hands and the blue sheet was locked onto a metal

plate over a keyboard, the young machine operator all ready starting to scan the copy and reach out to touch the white keys before her.

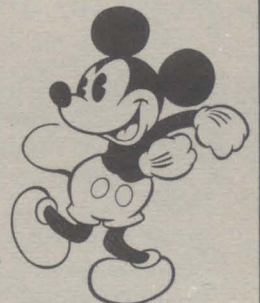
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What is **Pat Vaughn**, Director of Employee Relations Division, smiling about? Just the fact that he caught the final fly ball to end the **Hourly/Executive Softball Classic** this past Monday evening, putting the Executive team on top for the first time in the five year history of the annual rivalry. Read on in this issue of **EYES & EARS** for more game details.



**IF YOU ENJOY DANCING  
AND WANT TO FIND  
OUT ABOUT OUR NEXT  
EMPLOYEE DANCE . . .  
THEN READ ON IN THIS  
ISSUE OF "EYES & EARS"**



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lumpy chair before the looming microphone.

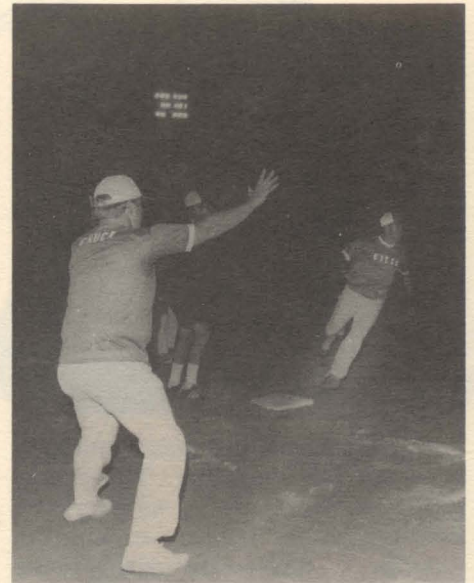
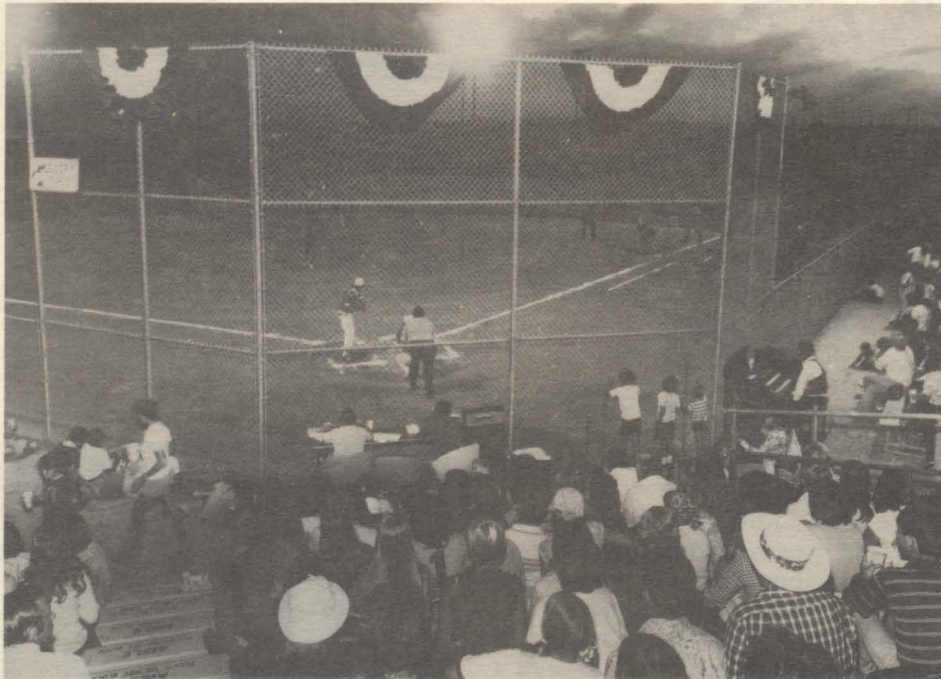
A red light flashed on above his face; he spoke distinctly into the faceless steel ball . . .

"And now, the top news story of the hour . . . in a historic contest that included just about anything one could imagine happening in a ball game, the Walt Disney World Executive Softball Team proved that, yes indeed, miracles can happen, when they held on to score a narrow suspense-filled victory over a hard-hitting Hourly Team by a final score of fifteen to fourteen. A victory that wasn't over until the final fly ball nestled in the glove of executive short-fielder Pat Vaughn.

"Yes sir, it was 'one heck of a ball game' that saw the scoreboard bouncing back and forth as the two almost perfectly matched teams took to the plate and battled it out."

"And this just in from Las Vegas . . . Jimmy the Greek reports that the odds had been running against the powerful Executive team after reports were circulated that Disney President Card Walker was the only California executive able to attend the game. But the final score proved that the odds can be beaten."

"Again, that final score was Executives fifteen and Hourlies fourteen. Stay tuned to this station for more news after this message . . ."



Jim Passilla (V.P. Employee Relations) was held at third by the base coach, Chuck White (Dir. Management Audit).

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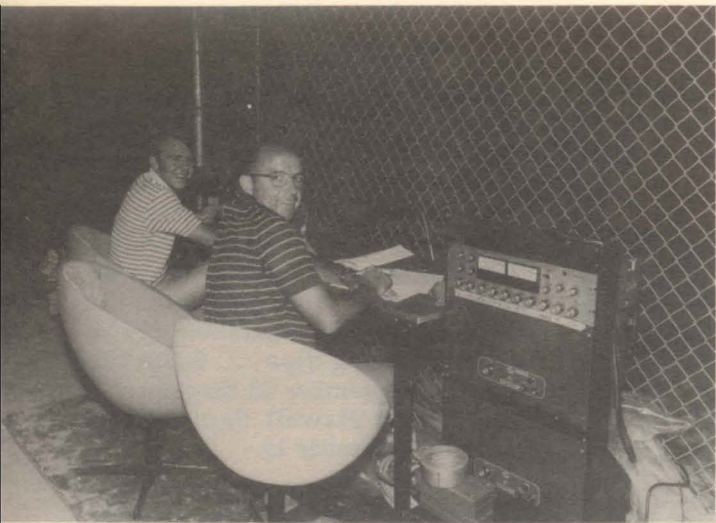
## EMPLOYEE DATE NIGHT HERE

This Saturday night, June 12, our yearly **Employee Date Night** program will commence for the summer months, and we would like to re-state our policy regarding the program: All employees are invited to bring a guest and enjoy the Magic Kingdom **after 5 pm.** The Date Night program is in effect seven-days-a-week through September 5. All you have to do is:

- Park in the Main Guest Parking Lot and board a tram to the T.T.C.
- Show your Disney ID to enter the gates at the T.T.C. Proceed on to the Main Entrance complex and sign in at the pass gate. Your ID is you and your guest's entrance pass to the Magic Kingdom . . . but **not** to the attractions.
- Exceptions . . . in order to assure the most convenient and comfortable visit to Walt Disney World for our guests during the heavy attendance period around the Fourth of July, there will be **no admission** to the Magic Kingdom via **Main Gate Passes** or **Date Night** program on **July 2, 3, 4 and 5.** However, both will resume July 6.
- We hope that you enjoy your visits to the Magic Kingdom as a "guest." But we want to remind you that off-duty employees visiting the Park, **should not** go into **backstage areas**, as there are many on-duty employees using these facilities.



A jubilant Executive team did what some considered the impossible and won this year's contest by the close margin of just one run.



...e announcers included . . . for the Hourly team Bill Smith (Marketing) and Matheison (V.P. Operations) rapping for the Execs.



Jud Perkins (Dir. Services) crossed home plate to add another point to the Executive side.



...play that had to be seen to be believed, Jim Armstrong (V.P. Foods) fell on a from third to home plate. And in an effort to score, Jim literally crawled to . . . only to be tagged out less than two inches from the plate!



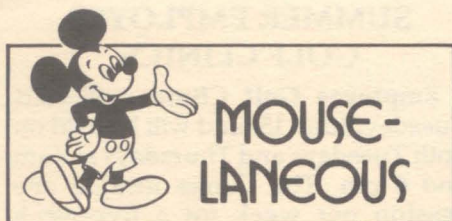
Rick Dickinson (Frontierland Hourly) slams a solid hit to center field as catcher Carl Bongirno (V.P. Finance) and umpire Walt Hunt (Audio) look on.



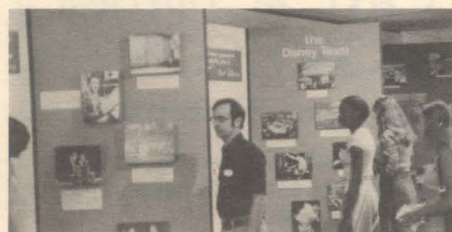
impossible, they broke a four-year streak of bad just one point!



"Well, you can't win them all . . . and besides, this year we decided to let them have one!" was a quote overheard after the game. But all agreed, it was a hard fought game and the Hourly team deserves plenty of credit for their efforts.



Gate keepers they may not be, but once a day (l-r) Debi Dopher, Randy Brooks and Laura Mulhern of Tomorrowland take up their positions along our "America On Parade" route to assist in crowd control. Many cast members have assisted Entertainment Division over the past months in this capacity.



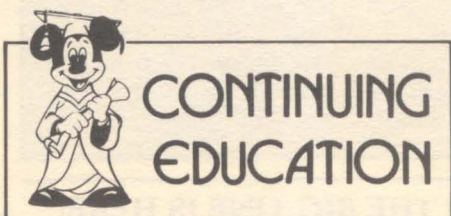
Many cast members have visited our EXPO '76 display in the lobby of The Center so far, and you are invited also! The display includes many graphics boards and pictures, as well as a video show and slideltape show. The display will be up through the month of June and we hope that you take the opportunity to see it.



This past Tuesday morning, one phase of River Country's construction was completed, when the landscaping element was officially turned over from Construction to our Maintenance group. Pictured here are (l-r) Doyle Jones, Superintendent of Landscape Maintenance, and Tony Virginia, Manager of Grounds Maintenance, passing landscape plans on to Warren Cowart, Superintendent of Fort Wilderness Landscape, and Jim Ellis, Superintendent of Landscape Maintenance. If you haven't visited River Country and seen how our landscape "artists" turned a barren rock mountain into a beautiful garden including many trees and flowers, then you should get over to visit.



Have you ever seen Cinderella Castle right at sundown and it looked so pretty you just wanted to take it home with you? Well, one of our cast members has . . . Leroy Trager of Custodial Services had his son, a painter, affix a photograph of our most famous landmark to the trunk area of his Pinto and add shimmering clouds and other background. On top of that, they lavished on many coats of clear shellac to preserve the Disney mural . . . and, ta da, Leroy has his own Castle everywhere he goes. Of course, the next logical question was asked of Leroy and he assured us that if you open the trunk, you **won't** find a mural of King Stefan's Banquet Hall.



Valencia Community College is sponsoring a **Firearms Safety** class starting next week. The course is designed for individuals seeking to develop knowledge and skill in the handling, care and use of firearms, especially those personally owned. Revolvers will be provided for training purposes or you may use your own. Topics include firearms identification, legal aspects, home and range safety. The course is taught by cer-

tified firearms instructors from the **Orange County Sheriff's Department** and **Orlando Police Department**.

The class will meet Mondays starting **June 14** and finish **July 19** at the McCoy Air Force Base gun range from 7 pm to 10 pm. The cost is \$20 for the six week course. For more information, call **Lt. Eller** of the Orange County Sheriff's Department at 420-3909, or attend the first class and register there. For directions to the gun range at McCoy, call Cast Activities at extension 4254. This is a non-credit course under Valencia's catalog number CN 182.



Walt Disney World has several immediate openings for **Full Secretaries**. Qualified applicants must possess skills including typing 50 wpm and 80 wpm shorthand. If you are interested, then please contact **Allen Hancock** in Casting at extension 4088 for an interview.



## FAMILY FILM FESTIVAL

Our next Cast Activities **Family Film Festival** will be presenting "The Great Locomotive Chase." As usual, all cast members and their immediate

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## RIVER COUNTRY PRICE INFORMATION

After a "taste of River Country" through our **Splash Parties** last week, many cast members have been asking what the prices to our newest attraction will be. Here is a breakdown:

	Adult	Junior	Child
<b>Employee Discount</b>	<b>\$2.75</b>	<b>\$2.25</b>	<b>\$1.75</b>
Day Guests	3.50	3.00	2.50
LBV Hotel Guests	3.25	2.75	2.25
Magic Kingdom Club	3.25	2.75	2.25
WDW Resort Guests	3.00	2.50	2.00

Employees may pick up their discounted admission tickets at Cast Activities and Cash Control offices in Fantasyland and the Village.

River Country will be open this summer seven-days-a-week from 9 am to 10 pm. And your admission ticket will allow you in the complex for the entire day. If you have any questions about your employee tickets, please call Cast Activities at extension 4254.

families are invited to attend **free** simply by stopping at Cast Activities on the 2nd floor of The Center and picking up tickets. Show times and dates will be:

**Wednesday, June 16** - 7 pm, Pacific Room  
**Thursday, June 17** - 7 pm, Pacific Room  
**Friday, June 18** - 7 pm, Pacific Room  
**Sunday, June 20** - 3 pm & 7 pm, Pacific Room

**Monday, June 21** - 7 pm, Continental Room

**Wednesday, June 23** - 7 pm, Continental Room

**Thursday, June 24** - 7 pm, Continental Room

**Sunday, June 27** - 7 pm, Continental Room

**Monday, June 28** - 7 pm, Continental Room

**Wednesday, June 30** - 7 pm, Continental Room

Both the **Pacific Room** and **Continental Room** are located on the second floor of the Contemporary Resort.

### DO YOU OWN A BOAT?

Well, if you do then listen to this . . . boat registration time is here again and on **Thursday and Friday, June 17 & 18**, you can register your boat at **Cast Activities** from 8:30 am to 5:30 pm. It's just another service Cast Activities offers.

### SWING INTO SUMMER AT THE LAKE

That's right, our annual "**Swing Into Summer**" event which marks the opening of **Little Lake Bryan's** seven-day-a-week operation will take place this **Saturday, June 12**. In addition to the regular activities which our employee lake and recreation area offers like sailing, rowing, peddle-boating, fishing, swimming and sun bathing; there will be several special events taking place such as games just for the children; hot dogs, soft drinks and ice cream at specially reduced prices, and a drawing for ten door prizes at 4 pm! Persons may sign up for the door prize drawing beginning at 11 am simply by presenting their Disney ID or Main Gate Pass.

Don't forget that beginning this weekend, **Little Lake Bryan** will be open every day from **11 am to 7 pm**. Hope to see you there!

### SUMMER EMPLOYEE GOLF CLINICS

**Employee Golf Clinics** will start Tuesday, June 15, and will be held on both Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9 am and 6 pm. The Clinics include one session per week for a five-week period. For more information and sign-ups, please call 824-2200, extension 3930.

### DO YOU LIKE TO PARTY?

If so, then you might be interested in this . . . a group of Disney cast members have established the **Orlando Good Time Association**, to help organize parties this summer. They will be posting flyers announcing parties in your area, so watch for them!

### CAST ACTIVITIES TICKET CENTER

Cast Activities currently has tickets available to the following Central Florida concerts:

• **Elvin Bishop** - June 18 - Orlando/Seminole Jai-Alai Fronton, 7:30 pm, Main Floor & Box Seats \$6.75, Balcony \$5.75

• **Yes** - June 26 - Tampa Stadium, 6 pm, \$7.75

• **Eagles** - July 4 - Tampa Stadium, 4 pm, \$10.25

• **Jethro Tull** - July 31 - Tampa Stadium, 7:30 pm, \$7.75

### TICKETS OFFERED IN CAST ACTIVITIES

There has been a change in Magic Kingdom tickets which are sold to employees at a discount in Cast Activities. Effective immediately, Cast Activities will **no longer** carry the 8-Ride Magic Kingdom Club Book (with all "E" coupons inside), but will instead offer the **10-Adventure Book**. This new book contains an "A" through "E" breakdown (3 "E"s, 3 "D"s, 2 "C"s, 1 "B", 1 "A"). The 10-Adventure Book prices are:

Adult - \$5.60

Junior - \$5.20

Child - \$4.80

And don't forget that you can get your **River Country** tickets at Cast Activities also.

### IF YOU WANNA PARTY THEN THE BIG ONE IS HERE!



That's right, the **Big One** kicking off the summer is upon us . . . Cast Activities' annual "**Sand Dance**" at Little Lake Bryan! The dance is set for **Saturday evening, June 26**, and will be rockin' out with the best hits in disco from 9 pm to 1 am.

Featuring disco tunes and local radio station personalities, the "**Sand Dance**" will also be giving away

prizes galore, including:

- 2 tickets to the Luau
- 2 tickets to "Hoop De Doo" at Pioneer Hall
- 2 dinners at the Golf Resort
- Lifesize Winnie-the-Pooh doll
- And many, many more!!!

Be sure to mark your calendar for June 26 and watch next week's **EYES & EARS** for more details.



## KARATE CLUB OPENING NEW CLASSES



Our Karate Club is re-opening classes and this is your chance to get in on learning the basics of this popular sport. The club will be holding an open meeting **Thursday, June 17**, at 6 pm in the Cast Activities Lounge. This will be a general information meeting to answer your questions about the sport and the club.

The club would like to especially emphasize that **ladies** are invited to participate . . . Karate is by no means a man's sport!

The Karate Club meets every Monday and Thursday at Little Lake Bryan at 6 pm, where the classes are taught. And the club is open to males and females 15 years old and above. Club dues are \$5 per month.

If you are interested in the club but will be unable to attend the meeting June 17, then please call Cast Activities at extension 4254, leaving your name and call back number.

## WATER SKI CLUB MEETING

The next meeting of the **Water Ski Club** is set for **Tuesday, June 15**, at 8 pm in the Cast Activities Lounge. This will be an **important meeting** . . . with election of 1976-77 officers to be held. All club members are urged to attend and anyone interested in joining this club is also invited.

## CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP MEETING

The next Christian Fellowship meeting will be **Tuesday, June 15**, at 5:30 pm in Cast Activities. Everyone is welcome!

## THEATRE WORKSHOP HOLDING 3RD AWARDS BANQUET

The Theatre Workshop will be celebrating the end of its 1975-1976 theater season with its annual **Awards Banquet** to be held in the Atlantic Room of the Contemporary Resort on **Monday evening, June 21**. All members of the Theatre Workshop are invited to attend.

The menu will include London Broil and an open bar with reduced price beverages. Reservations may be made by paying \$7.50 at Cast Activities. This covers your meal, gratuities and cost of the awards.

After-dinner entertainment by the Theatre Workshop members will be provided as well as the presentation of annual awards for best performances and backstage work. All reservations must be paid in full by Thursday, June 18. Please call **Pat Kelly** in Cast Activities for more information. And "America On Parade" personnel should contact **Judy Flanagan** or **Skip Alderman** for information and reservations.

If you'd like a part in voting for this year's awards, please pick up a voting form from **Jon Carrissime** (Contemporary Front Office), **Judy Flanagan** (Entertainment), **Skip Alderman** ("America On Parade"), **Mike Wanzie** (Jungle Cruise), or **Jim James** (LBV Village).

## CAST ACTIVITIES TRAVEL CENTER

The Walt Disney Travel Company will be presenting a travel log in Cast Activities on **Wednesday, June 16**, at 6 pm. Movies will include "Madrid and its Surroundings" and "Hawaii". There will also be literature available as well as Travel Company representatives to answer your questions. The travel logs are in preparation for two of our upcoming trips . . . **Spain and Morocco** September 23 through October 7 and **Hawaii** September 5 through September 15.

**'73 GMC CUSTOM PICKUP WITH CAMPER** - Radio, heater, air conditioning, PS & PB. Xlnt. Cond. 855-7496.

**'70 OLDS 88** - Sedan AM/FM radio, tape deck, air conditioning, PS & PB, electric windows & trunk latch. \$850. Call 898-9540.

**'71 DODGE DART** - Xlnt. condition. \$1400. Call 298-0321 any time.

**'70 FIAT 124 SPORT COUPE** - Mags, AF-FM Stereo, Xlnt. cond., \$1200. Call 855-1468 evenings.

**'73 PLYMOUTH "GOLD DUSTER"** - 318 V-8, A/C, PS, PB, AM radio, bucket seats, yellow w/blk vinyl roof. \$2200. Xlnt. cond. 851-7039 or 859-5185 after 6 pm — any time on weekends.

**KAWASAKI 400** - 4 stroke OHC, elec. start, Fairing & trunk. 1975 bike purchased May 9, 1975. Cost over \$1800 w/extras — asking \$1500. Call Ray 846-3897, Kissimmee. (Am buying larger bike.)

**PATIO FURNITURE** - Wrought iron lounge & chair. Like new. Original cost \$225. Must sell for \$75. Call 898-1325 after 5:30 pm.

**BOAT** - 14 1/2' Fiberglass, 40 HP. Mercury and trailer. \$425, or make offer. Also set of golf clubs. 656-8134.

**DRUM SET, SLINGERLAND** - 5 pieces, red sparkle, xlnt. cond. 422-3458, 6 to 8 pm.

**WATER BED** - "Step-up-to" level, 8 x 9 ft. king size, storage under steps. \$125. 851-1932.

**DINING ROOM SET** - French traditional, cherry; table (2 leaves & 4 pads), 6 upholstered chairs (2 side chairs), glass front china cabinet. \$400. 851-1932.

**MISC. FOR SALE:** Livingroom, diningroom, bedroom furniture, hide-a-bed, desk, electric typewriter and stand. Call Ray 846-3897, Kissimmee.

**AMERICAN SHEPHERD PUPPIES** - white, 5 wks. old, healthy and happy. Purebred white Shepherd mother with C.D. titel. AKC. Register white father. Good hips, eyes, etc. 898-0619.

**COLLIE** - 1 1/2 year old male, AKC, Sable/white, all shots. \$75. (No apts., please). Call evenings 293-3848.

**LASHA APSO** - male, 18 months, AKC, Xlnt. pedigree. \$50. 828-7202.

**GERMAN SHEPHERD** - AKC, black and tan, 2 years old, all shots, friendly. \$75 with papers. 855-7460 after 6 pm.

**WANTED:** 35 or 40 HP boat motor, used, in top condition. Also used trailer, old but with some years left. 898-0619.

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